

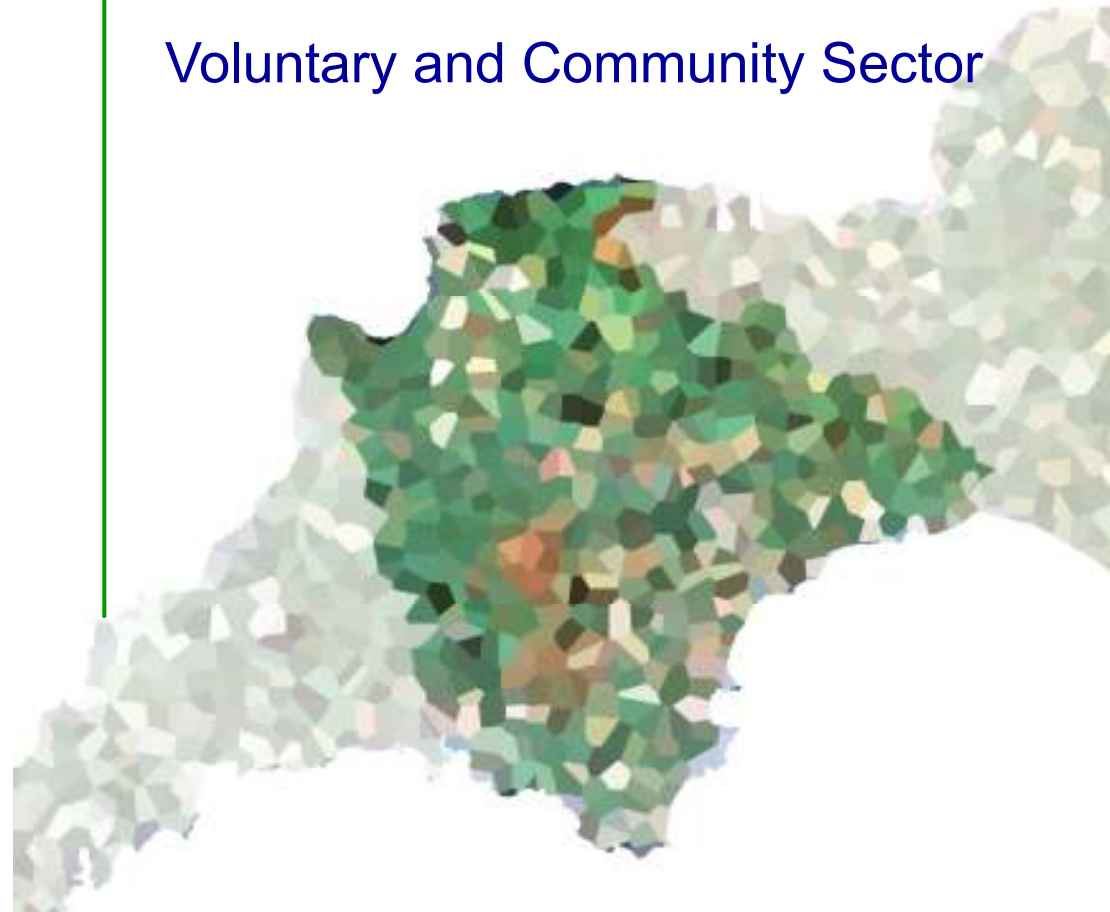


A Compact
for Devon

10 Things You Need to Know about the Community Groups Code of Good Practice

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**Are you a Voluntary or Community group in
Devon?**

**Does your organisation receive funding or work in
partnership with other organisations in Devon?**

**Would you like to know more about best practice
in the community sector in Devon?**

If so ... you need to read this

1. This Code forms part of the Compact for Devon and aims to promote and support the work of the community sector in Devon
2. The Code sets out the key responsibilities and commitments of all those who work with the community sector, and of the community sector itself
3. The community sector in Devon provides a range of services to local people and communities which improve the quality of life and life chances of those communities and people

4. The community sector can represent real value for money
5. The community sector can play a range of different roles including: providing a voice, building relationships and networks, providing self help and mutual support, delivering services
6. The community sector is generally well placed to understand the needs of local people
7. Developing the capacity of the community sector is beneficial to everyone
8. Community sector organisations have responsibility for operating within the law and along the lines of best practice and sound governance
9. The community sector in Devon operates in a county where rurality presents specific issues and challenges
10. To view the full Compact for Devon and the six Codes of Practice go to **www.dacvs.org.uk** or get further information from a local Council for Voluntary Service (CVS). To contact the Compact Administrator telephone 01392 202057